GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Construction of Rail Line
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have sanctioned the construction of the Haridwar-Kotdwar-Ramnagar direct railways-line project;

(b) if so, the details of the progress made thereon so far and the survey of this link railways route is expected to commence; and

(c) the time by which the said rail line is likely to be started?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (c): A survey for Haridwar-Kotdwar-Ramnagar (142.8 km) new line was completed in 2011 and as per the survey report, the cost of construction was assessed as `1245.55 Crores with a negative Rate of Return of 5.98%. The project could not be taken up due to its unremunerative nature, large throwforward of ongoing projects and limited resources of railways for new line projects, and also due to the fact that the State Government of Uttarakhand did not respond to Ministry of Railways' request to provide free land and share 50% of the construction cost of the project.
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